

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:	)
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Applicant : <b>Roberto Fagnani et al.</b>	)
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Appl. No. : <b>10/054,728</b>	)
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Filed : <b>October 25, 2001</b>	)
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Title : <b>THREE DIMENSIONAL FORMAT</b>	)
<b>BIOCHIPS</b>	)
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TC/A.U. : <b>1639</b>	)
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Examiner : <b>My-Chau T. Tran</b>	)
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Customer No. : 22242	)
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Conf. No. : 3521	)

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection mailed on July 5, 2006, to which the shortened statutory period for response is being extended to expire on November 5, 2006, it is respectfully requested that the above-identified application be amended as follows.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2. Remarks begin on page 9.